IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

HORACE A. BELL,

No. C 09-04477 CW (PR)

Plaintiff,

ORDER OF TRANSFER

v.

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SERGEANT G. HIPPO, et al.,
Defendants.

Plaintiff, a state prisoner, has filed a <u>pro se</u> civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and an application for <u>in forma pauperis</u> status. The acts complained of occurred at Kern Valley State Prison, which is located in the Eastern District of California, and it appears that Defendants reside in that district. Venue, therefore, properly lies in that district and not in this one. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

Accordingly, in the interest of justice and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a), this action is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. The Clerk of the Court shall transfer the case forthwith.

Plaintiff's application for <u>in forma pauperis</u> status is TERMINATED on this Court's docket as no longer pending in this district.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 10/21/2009

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CLAUDIA WILKEN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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3 4 5	HORACE A BELL, Case Number: CV09-04477 CW Plaintiff, CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE V.
6 7 8	G HIPPO et al, Defendant.
9 10	I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.
11 12 13	That on October 21, 2009, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located in the Clerk's office.
14151617	Horace A. Bell #J-42454 C4-120 Kern Valley State Prison P.O. Box 6000 Delano, CA 93216
18 19 20	Dated: October 21, 2009 Richard W. Wieking, Clerk By: Clara Pierce, Deputy Clerk
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